GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 2004-205 December 29, 2004

SUBJECT:

Delegation of Authority to Review and Determine Administrative

Petitions or Appeals filed under the Freedom of Information Act

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Executive Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the District of Columbia by section 422(6) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act of 1973, as amended, 87 Stat. 790, Pub. L. No. 93-198, D.C. Official Code § 1-204.22(6) (2001), and pursuant to section 2 of the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act of 1976, D.C. Law 1-96, D.C. Official Code § 2-537 (2001), and 1 DCMR § 412 (January 7, 2005), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- 1. <u>DELEGATION</u>: The General Counsel in the Executive Office of the Mayor is delegated the authority vested in the Mayor to review and determine administrative petitions or appeals (hereinafter "appeals") filed pursuant to the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, D.C. Official Code § 2-537 (2001).
- 2. <u>SUBMISSION OF APPEALS</u>: The Mayor's Correspondence Unit, upon receipt of an appeal filed pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-537 (2001), will forward the appeal to the Office of the General Counsel in the Executive Office of the Mayor. The appeal is deemed filed upon receipt in the General Counsel's Office.
- 3. **REPEAL OF PRIOR ORDERS:** Except as provided in Paragraph 4, below, this Order supersedes previous Mayor's Orders to the extent of any inconsistency.
- 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE**: This Order shall apply to all appeals dated on or after January 7, 2005 and before June 30, 2005 seeking the Mayor's review of public bodies' denials of access to public records. After June 30, 2005, the

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Mayor's delegated authority for the review of such appeals shall revert to the Secretary without further order of the Mayor.

ANTHONY A. WILLIAMS

MAYOR

ATTEST:

SHERRYL HOBBS NEWMAN

SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA